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The listed references relate to compact disc handling devices. The relevance of these patents is discussed in the above-referenced patent application. References provided that are not cited in the application are cited for the purposes of background information only. The

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